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What	When
Prep & buddies meet parents	RESCHEDULED
School photos	RESCHEDULED
Curriculum day—Pupil Free Day	Friday 25th February
Parent/teacher/student interviews	Wednesday 2nd & Thursday 3rd March
Interschool tennis	Friday 11th March
School open day—Red Cliffs Centenary	Friday 1st April
Red Cliffs Centenary Parade	Saturday 2nd April

"Every Day Counts"

If your child is absent from school we must have a note, phone call or you can also enter the reason directly onto COMPASS to explain the absence. This is required by the Department for our records

Assembly tomorrow will be run by Grade 5/6 (9.00am)

Contact School Council: rceps.schoolcouncil@gmail.com

Curriculum day—Pupil free day Friday 25th February

Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews

This year we will be conducting Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews on **Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd March**. These interviews are designed for parents to meet with teachers and students for 10 minutes to discuss anything school related. **These meetings are very important for both teachers, parents and students.** A timetable is now set up in COMPASS for you to choose a time that best suits. The deadline for you to select an appropriate time is **Friday 25th February**.

Please log onto COMPASS and select a time that best suits you.

COVID Updates

We have had some positive cases in our classrooms since school has resumed this year. Thank you to all the parents who have contacted the school to inform us. It is great to see people continuing to regularly administer Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT) and watching for symptoms.

There have been some changes announcing by the Government this morning in relation to school.

The RATs will continue to be provided to families for the remainder of Term 1. These will be handed out as we have done in the past. We will let the community know when this will happen.

As of next week we will not require people to check in via QR codes at school. Schools will also be provided with extra air purifiers for other learning spaces. These will arrive before winter.

Thank you for everyone's continued support. We are still living and working in compromised environments but if we all abide by COVID safe protocols we hope to reduce the risk to the students, staff and community.

Birthdays: January—Thomas Seipolt, Charlotte Thomas, Sonny Glen, John Borlase, Taylor Smith.



Class Awards

Prep:

Grade 1/2: Kiara Pittaway for the wonderful start you have made to the year! You have settled in to your new room and have participated enthusiastically in all of the work. Well done on beginning the year in such a positive way.

Grade 2: Beau Gathercole for being a kind and considerate classmate. Beau, you have shown your teacher and peers this week that you are helpful and always thinking of others through the positive choices you have made in our classroom. Well done Beau, you should be very proud of your efforts!

Grade 3/4: Oli Minter for a great start to your learning in grade 3/4. you always make sure that you are concentrating on the floor and being focussed on your work while you are at your table. Thanks Oli!

Grade 4/5: Lakiesha Thomas for the dedication and determination you have started the year with. Lakiesha, we are so proud of the way you have already settled into a great learning routine. We see you working hard and trying your best at all of your tasks. Great work Lakiesha!

Grade 5/6: Emma Ryan for your fabulous start to the year. We have appreciated how focussed you have been on each of your learning task and then sharing your knowledge with your peers. Keep up the super effort Emma!

School Photos—

Rescheduled to the 6th May

All photo orders will be completed online this year. You will need to log onto the Leading Image website and use the access key to place your order.

You must complete your order for family/ sibling photos prior to the day (6th May) so that the photographer knows to take the family photo.

All class and individual students will have their photo taken on the day so individual photos may be ordered after the 6th May. Ordering beforehand may be a better idea though.

If you have already placed an order it will be automatically transferred to the 6th May. You do not need to do anything.

ONLINE BOOKING

Your school has decided school photos will only be available to order online this year. Choose your own FREE background



- The benefits of being online...
- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office
 No cash on school grounds or children's bags
- Easy order tracking and record keeping
 18 different backgrounds to choose from no additional co
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LEADING

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos:

- Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
- 2 Click on Order Your School Photos
- Select your State
- Enter your special unique Access Key
- A Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30 pm the night before photo day. Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.



Prep/1 and Gr 5/6 Buddies Meet And Greet Rescheduled

Unfortunately we have decided to reschedule the planned buddies meet the parent session due to the number of students currently absent in the Gr 5/6 class. We hope to have this organised for the next couple of weeks. We will let you know when we have secured a date. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.



Continuation of FREE trial.

We are offering a continuation of free trial.

You must have completed and returned an enrolment form in order to attend.

Come along and try the OSCH program.

Outside Of School Hours Care (OSHC)

We have had a number of students starting to use the OSHC program.

The students attending the program have been indulging in afternoon tea before starting a number of different fun activities. They have been playing basketball, having a hit of tennis, completing some art activities and spending time playing a variety of board games. All the students are having a great time.

We look forward to seeing more students come along in Term 4.

Enrolment forms are available from the school office. Students cannot attend without a completed form returned to the office.

OSHC is up and running again. Students must be booked in through the office and have enrolment forms completed before they can attend.

2022 Preps

This week we had all our 2022 Prep students at school together for the first time. It is wonderful to see them all in one place together. And what a lovely group of students they are! They laugh, they smile, they play, they listen and they learn. What more could we ask???

We are so happy to have them a part of our school community and look forward to seeing them grow as they work their way up through the grades at Red Cliffs East PS.



Bringing Up Great Kids

Bonney has coordinated with Mallee Family Care to provide a great opportunity for the parents in our school community. The 'Bringing up great kids' sessions will run over 4 weeks (Tuesday): 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th March. Being a parent is a tough job and we could all do with a bit of advice at different times. Have a read through the information below and see if it is something you would be interested in being a part of. It will be held at school form 9.30 to 11.30 on each day.

To register your interest simply contact the school by phone or catch up with Bonney before or after

school



Overview

Bringing Up Great Kids is a reflective, mindful, respectful program that provides parents with an opportunity to reflect on their parenting journey.

Bringing Up Great Kids provides a friendly and safe environment for parents to learn from each other as they continue their parenting journey.

Program Content

The Bringing Up Great Kids' program supports parents and carers to:

- · learn more about the origins of their own parenting style and how it can be more effective;
- · identify the important messages they want to convey to their children and how to achieve this;
- learn more about brain development in children and its influence on their thoughts, feelings and behaviour:
- understand the meaning behind children's behaviours, and how to respond to children's underlying feelings and needs;
- explore new ways of communicating with children;
- discover ways for parents to take care of themselves and to find support when they need it.

Mallee Family Care provide both face to face and online sessions over four weeks consisting of two hours of interactive and reflective engagement of participants.

To register your interest contact Mallee Family Care on 1300 667 382



